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Common Hardware Systems Mission

- Manage the acquisition process for Common Hardware and Commercial Off the Shelf (COTS) Software.
- Ensure that all delivered hardware and software meet the requirements of the contract, statement of work, and product specifications
- Manage the processing of all CHS engineering change proposals, orders, and task orders to ensure delivery of products on schedule and within cost.
- Ensure incorporation of Technology Insertion into the CHS product lines (hardware and software) IAW PEO C3T strategic plans and as required to support customer needs.





Purpose

Provide a standard suite of (commercial and rugged) computers, peripherals, software and programming support environment components that will operate and survive in the battlefield. CHS-3 is targeted for the Army's command and control systems, and is also available for all DoD and Federal Agencies.



Common Hardware Software - 3 **Strategy**

Competitive procurement of COTS and enhanced non-developmental hardware and software.

- Best Value Award
- Indefinite Quantity Indefinite Delivery (IDIQ)
- 10 Year Contract; with 5 Years of Warranty (minimum) from date of delivery
- 3 Versions of products:
 - V1 Commercial/Commercial with minor modifications
 - V2 Ruggedized for survivability in tactical environment
 - V3 Near Mil-Spec
- **Technology Insertion**
- Technical Assistance and Support Services (TASS)





Generic Examples of V1/V1+, V2, & V3





Rack-mounted server

V1+, Commercial Rugged



Rugged Laptop

V2 Fully Rugged



Tactical Lightweight
Computer



Tactical Comms
Device



Tactical Rackmounted Server

V3 Near MIL-SPEC Rugged



Tactical Portable Computer



Common Hardware Software - 3 <u>Hardware</u>

- Computers: Servers, workstations, handheld computers, notebook computers, PDA's
- Displays: Flat panels, medium and large screen displays, multi-tiled displays, projectors
- Storage: Mass storage devices, RAID systems, removable hard disk drives
- Power Supplies: Uninterruptible power supplies (UPS), power converters, power conditioners
- Peripherals: Printers, scanners, Fax machines, special purpose boards
- Network devices: Routers, Switches
- Tactical communications modem devices
- Cables, mounting kits, transit cases
- Programming Support Environment (PSE) Hardware



Common Hardware Software - 3 <u>COTS Software</u>

- UNIX and Windows Operating Systems
- Graphical User Interface
- Data Communications Software
- Word Processing
- Relational Database Management System
- Spreadsheet
- Business Graphics and Presentation Package
- Malicious S/W Detection and Prevention
- Programming Support Environment (PSE) Software





Technical Assistance and Support Services

Ten Year Time And Material Portion Of Effort

- Includes, But Not Limited To:
 - Out of Warranty Repair
 - Support for BFACS Materiel Fielding
 - Analysis of CHS-3 Hardware and Software Requirements
 - Integration of HW/SW Into New or Existing Systems.
 - Training Packages
- Tasks Are Defined By And Funded By Customers



Challenges

- 10 years of pricing
- Dealing with obsolescence
- Incorporating new technologies

Contract Information

- Objective: Purchase a family of (commercial and rugged) common hardware, peripherals, common software and programming support environment to satisfy user requirements for the input, processing, storage, retrieval, reproduction, presentation and transmission of data that will operate and survive in the battlefield.
- Contract Type: IDIQ with Firm Fixed Price and Time & Materials features
- Estimated Value: \$2B ceiling over 10 years
- Key Milestones:
 - Draft RFP released to Industry 7/02
 - RFP Release 10/02
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